

Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Rainfall and warm temperatures continued throughout the state last week. A few cases of Sudden Death Syndrome in soybeans were reported in some parts of Illinois. There were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending September 7th. Statewide, precipitation averaged 1.25 inches, 0.67 inches above normal. The average temperature was 72.7 degrees, 1.7 degrees above normal. Corn dented reached 84 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 78 percent. Corn mature reached 17 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 36 percent. Corn condition was rated at 82 percent good to excellent. Soybeans turning color reached 37 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 34 percent. Soybeans dropping leaves was rated at 7 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 11 percent. Soybean condition was rated at 78 percent good to excellent. Sorghum headed reached 94 percent, sorghum turning color reached 77 percent, and sorghum mature was rated at 20 percent. Pasture condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 19 percent excellent. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 1 percent very short, 15 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 7, 2014

District and State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Northwest	3.2	7	23	56	14	4	30	59	7
Northeast	4.8	-	8	90	2	1	17	79	3
West	4.9	-	3	91	6	1	24	75	-
Central	3.8	1	7	80	12	2	14	78	6
East	4.6	-	3	93	4	2	13	84	1
West Southwest	4.2	-	6	82	12	-	9	84	7
East Southeast	5.3	-	4	88	8	-	11	85	4
Southwest	5.5	-	14	76	10	1	14	79	6
Southeast	3.3	-	-	76	24	2	4	75	19
Illinois	4.4	1	7	82	10	1	15	79	5

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2009-2013 Average
	September 7, 2014	August 31, 2014	September 7, 2013	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	84	72	66	78
Corn mature	17	5	5	36
Corn harvested	1	(NA)	(NA)	6
Soybeans turning color	37	14	16	34
Soybeans dropping leaves	7	1	3	11
Sorghum headed	94	92	98	95
Sorghum turning color	77	74	83	77
Sorghum mature	20	1	6	21
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	86	79	88	87

(NA) Not available.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending September 7, 2014

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	3	14	51	31
Soybeans	1	3	18	54	24
Sorghum	2	2	16	69	11
Pasture	2	6	24	49	19

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending September 7, 2014

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	86	74	90	85	78	91	88	83	86
Corn mature	16	1	17	29	3	32	15	26	28
Corn harvested	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	10	2
Soybeans turning color	54	48	23	55	35	27	46	27	12
Soybeans dropping leaves	6	8	7	6	6	5	16	4	2

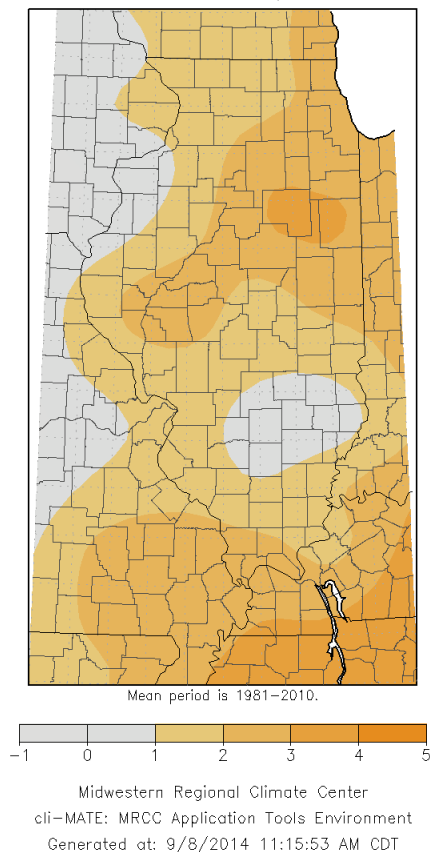
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Weather Information: Week Ending September 7, 2014

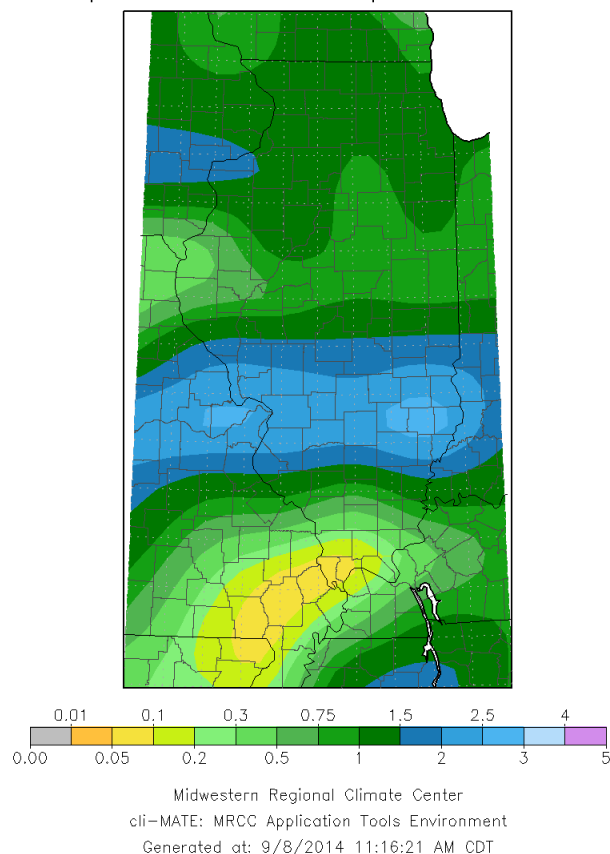
District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest	69.8	1.3	1.25	0.67	2,434	-36
Northeast	71.1	2.3	1.11	0.51	2,393	-41
West	72.4	1.2	0.71	0.01	2,663	-39
Central	72.5	2.1	1.01	0.33	2,615	-24
East	72.6	2.7	0.97	0.35	2,554	-46
West Southwest	73.8	1.8	1.72	1.22	2,769	-18
East Southeast	73.3	1.1	2.08	1.53	2,753	-51
Southwest	74.6	1.3	0.99	0.46	2,920	22
Southeast	75.1	1.5	0.97	0.43	2,974	46
Illinois	72.7	1.7	1.25	0.67	2,662	-24

Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
September 1, 2014 to September 7, 2014



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 1, 2014 to September 7, 2014



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